

APPLICATION BY MALLARD PASS SOLAR FARM LTD FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE PROPOSED MALLARD PASS SOLAR FARM

Issue Specific Hearing 1 (ISH1 on the Scope of the Proposed Development, Need, Site Selection and Alternatives)

Date: Tuesday 11 July 2023

Action Points

No	Party	Action	Deadline
1	Applicant	Provide comparison of the use of Best and Most Versatile (BMV) agricultural land for the Proposed Development in comparison with recently consented Longfield Solar Farm	D4
2	Applicant	Provide indicative layout for the primary construction compound (the proposed substation Action Point has been incorporated into Action No. 5 of ISH2)	D4
3	Mallard Pass Action Group	Submit details (discussed at ISH1 & 2) regarding security fencing at an existing solar farm	D4
4	Applicant	Provide comments on policy interpretation of access routes requirement as per paragraph 3.10.24 of the draft National Policy Statement (NPS) for Renewable Energy Infrastructure (EN-3) (March 2023)	D4
5	Applicant	To consider an update to Requirement 3 regarding phasing and the outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (oCEMP) in relation to the role of community liaison on this issue.	D4
6	Applicant	Clarification and update in relation to Requirement 18 – Decommissioning and restoration, regarding environmental effects	D4
7	Rutland County Council	To confirm if forthcoming evidence regarding renewable energy for emerging policy relates only to applications under the Town and Country Planning Act	D4
8	Rutland County Council and Lincolnshire County Council	To provide a response to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions, question number 1.3.9, in relation to the site selection process and the local policies that may be deemed important and relevant	D4

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9	Applicant	To submit Climate Change Committee progress report (28 th June) and future energy scenarios report (10 th July), with sign posting to relevant details	D4
10	Applicant	Provide output calculations with an estimation of the number of homes that could be supplied by the Proposed Development	D4
11	Applicant	Confirmation of the area of land (Hectares) required for over-planting and the associated number of panels	D4

Issue Specific Hearing 2 (ISH2 on Environmental Matters)

Date: Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13 July 2023

Action Points

No	Party	Action	Deadline
1	Applicant, Local Authorities	Updated Statements of Common Ground (SoCG), including principal areas of disagreement	D4
2	Applicant, Network Rail	Update on progress of proposed Protective Provisions with Network Rail and matters relating to cable crossing options	D4
3	Applicant, Mallard Pass Action Group (MPAG)	SoCG, including principal areas of disagreement	D4
4	Applicant	Provide a specific comment on additional viewpoints suggested by MPAG	D4
5	Applicant	Note dealing with matters relating to the proposed substation discussed at ISH2 (including wireline drawing(s), topography of substation site including indicative cross-section, specific detail on how landscape and visual effects have been assessed, timing of photomontages)	D4
6	Local Authorities	Review and provide any relevant comments on Design and Access Statement Design Guidance [REP2-108]	D4
7	Applicant	Consideration of inclusion of specific percentage Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) in dDCO Requirement 7	D4
8	Applicant	Review applicable BNG Metric	D4

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9	Applicant	Response to potential effects on SSSI from vehicle movements travelling to and from the site	D4
10	Applicant	Response to Mr Williams's comments on ecological mitigation	D4
11	Applicant	Explanation and justification of viability of sheep farming during operation	D4
12	Applicant	Response to MPAG comments on sheep farming within the Order Limits	D4
13	Applicant	Applicant's response to Written Representation from Greatford Parish Council [REP2-061] relating to water run off rates from solar panels	D4
14	Rutland County Council	Environmental Health Officer to feedback on noise effects	D4
15	Applicant	Review outline Construction Traffic Management Plan (oCTMP) regarding HGV movement times in relation to Great Casterton and construction parking	D4
16	Applicant	Clarification on use of piles or concrete bases	D4
17	Applicant	Alternative (without prejudice) Requirement drafting regarding archaeological trial trenching	D4
18	Applicant, Lincolnshire County Council and Rutland County Council	Detailed position statements on matters concerning archaeological evaluation and mitigation (may be included within SoCG)	D5
19	Applicant	Outline Written Scheme of Investigation to be provided (as soon as possible) for comment from Interested Parties	D5
20	Applicant	Consideration of further wording in Outline Landscape and Environmental Management Plan on Permissive Paths	D4
21	Applicant	Details of predicted noise levels at points along Public Rights of Way (and Permissive Paths)	D4
22	Applicant	Further details of information/interpretation boards	D4
23	Local Authorities	Further comments on the effect of proposed planting adjacent to PRoW	D4
24	Applicant	Consider interrelationship between Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan & oCTMP regarding footpath management.	D4
25	MPAG	Examples of local health implications (noting GPDR requirements)	D5

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26	Applicant	Submit an updated list of locations for Accompanied Site Visit in liaison with MPAG and Local Authorities	D4

Issue Specific Hearing 3 (ISH3 on the draft Development Consent Order (dDCO))

Date: Thursday 13 July 2023

Action Points

No	Party	Action	Deadline
1	Applicant	Update Schedule of Changes to dDCO to reflect the various iterations of amendments	D4
2	Applicant	Guide to the Application – updated to include revision number of any updated documents (as well as the Applicant’s reference) and reference to previously updated versions	D4
3	Applicant	To consider definition of <i>maintain</i> regarding the need to distinguish between PV panels and other works	D4
4	Applicant	Update Outline Operational Environmental Management Plan regarding provision of maintenance schedule to local authorities.	D4
5	Applicant	Update on negotiations with Internal Drainage Boards re. Article 6	D4
6	Applicant	Note on Article 12 (Claimed public right of way) including comparison with Definitive Map Modification Order process including any consultation requirements	D4
7	Applicant	Update on whether Article 17 (Removal of human remains) is necessary	D4
8	Applicant	Update to Article 43 (Procedure in relation to certain approvals etc)	D4
9	Local Authorities	Provide any further comment on Schedule 16 – Procedure for Discharge of Requirements	D4
10	Applicant	Schedule 2: Requirement 3 - Confirm approach in relation to phasing and interpretation of ‘ <i>date of final commissioning</i> ’	D4
11	Rutland County Council	Provide comments regarding need to share details of phasing	D4
12	Applicant	Update Requirement 7 regarding minimum BNG and use of BNG metric	D4
13	Rutland County Council	To provide comments on Requirement 9 (Surface and foul water drainage)	D4

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14	Applicant	Update Requirement 18 regarding notice period for decommissioning	D4
15	Applicant	Check if proposed Requirements adequately cover need to complete highway works and proposed vehicular accesses prior to construction/operation	D4
16	Applicant	Further details (where available) of relevant matters covered by the legislation to be disapplied in Schedule 3 (not including railway related legislation)	D4
17	Applicant	Updates to Protective Provisions with Network Rail and Environmental Agency	D5
18	Applicant	Proposed fee arrangements for discharge of requirements by Local Authorities for comment	D4
19	South Kesteven District Council	Justification of request for ten week period for Requirement discharge (including the applicable Requirements)	D4

Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 1 (CAH1)

Date: Friday 14 July 2023

Action Points

No	Party	Action	Deadline
1	Applicant	Comparison of proposed land requirement (PV array and mitigation areas) with other solar Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (in context of paragraph 3.10.8 of draft EN3)	D4
2	Applicant	Justification for inclusion of Article 23(2)(c) in dDCO (taking account the Secretary of State's removal of a similar provision from the Longfield DCO)	D4
3	Applicant	Clarification following Mr Williams comments on the Funding Statement	D4
4	Applicant	Book of Reference to be updated as necessary (including Mr Williams land)	D4
5	Applicant, Network Rail	Provide timeline with Network Rail on progress of outstanding matters, including Protective Provisions	D4
7	Applicant	Provide further details/plans of preferred railway cable crossing option	D4
8	Applicant	Provide clarification of whether access to Mrs Woolley's property will be impeded	D4

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9	Applicant	Update oCEMP to address matters in relation to access to properties and land (including Essendine play area)	D4
10	Applicant	Provide further detail of community liaison proposals	D4
11	Applicant	Clarification of how proposed cable works in Essendine would affect access to Essendine play area	D4